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Week 1 Outlook – Valid: September 14-20, 2010



- **1.** <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of India.</u> A monsoon low is expected to track west and result in very heavy rainfall in this region. Numerical model guidance supports this forecast. <u>Confidence: High</u>
- **2.** <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for the Maritime Continent.</u> La Niña conditions, numerical weather forecast guidance, and above-normal sea surface temperatures (SSTs) favor elevated rainfall. <u>Confidence: High</u>
- **3.** <u>An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis in the northwest Pacific.</u> A pre-existing disturbance with convection is forecast to track west-northwest, near Luzon and Taiwan. Model guidance indicates the development of a tropical cyclone in this region. Confidence: Moderate
- **4.** <u>An increased chance for below-average rainfall for the west-central Pacific.</u> La Niña conditions and numerical weather forecast guidance support suppressed convection in this region. <u>Confidence: High</u>
- **5.** <u>An increased chance for below-average rainfall across Hawaii.</u> La Niña conditions and numerical weather forecast guidance support suppressed convection in this region. <u>Confidence: High</u>
- **6.** <u>An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis in the central Pacific.</u> A pre-existing disturbance may develop into a tropical cyclone in a region of low wind shear. <u>Confidence: Low</u>
- **7.** <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for western Cuba and eastern Mexico.</u> Moisture associated with a pre-existing tropical wave that may become a tropical cyclone is expected to result in heavy rainfall in these regions. **Confidence: High**
- **8.** <u>An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis in the western Caribbean Sea and southern Gulf of Mexico.</u> A trough of low pressure currently exists in the central Caribbean Sea. Environmental conditions are expected to become more conductive for tropical cyclone development as this disturbance tracks west.

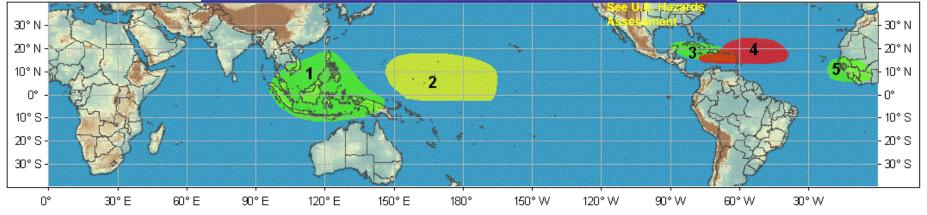
  Confidence: Moderate
- **9.** An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of West Africa. This is supported by forecast anomalous low-level winds from the Atlantic with increased moisture transport and strong easterly wave activity. Confidence: High
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Week 2 Outlook – Valid: September 21-27, 2010



## **Synopsis**:

- 1. <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of the Maritime Continent.</u> La Niña conditions, numerical weather forecast guidance, and above-normal sea surface temperatures (SSTs) favor elevated rainfall. <u>Confidence: High</u>
- 2. <u>An increased chance for below-average rainfall for the west-central Pacific.</u> La Niña conditions and numerical weather forecast guidance support suppressed convection in this region. <u>Confidence: High</u>
- **3.** <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for the Caribbean region.</u> Above-normal sea surface temperatures (SSTs) and expected tropical waves of low pressure elevate the chances for wet conditions in this region. Model guidance supports this forecast. **Confidence: Moderate**
- 4. <u>An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis across the central Atlantic and eastern Caribbean Sea.</u> Subseasonal coherent tropical variability including easterly waves and weak vertical wind shear favors an increased threat for tropical development. **Confidence: Moderate**
- **5.** <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of West Africa</u>. This is supported by forecast anomalous low-level winds from the Atlantic with increased moisture transport and strong easterly wave activity. <u>Confidence: Moderate</u>

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